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REMARKS

Summary of Changes Made

Claims 18 and 19 have been amended to fully independent form incorporating all limitations of the base claim and intervening claims. As amended, each of claims 18 and 19 positively recites the presence of "crystal seed powder" and "metal and metal oxide materials." Claims 2-6 were canceled in a previous amendment. Accordingly claims 1 and 7-19 (14 claims) remain pending in the application.

Claim Objections 37 C.F.R. 1.75(c)

Claims 18 and 19 were objected to under 37 C.F.R. § 1.75(c) as being of improper dependent form for failing to further limit the subject matter of a previous claim. The Examiner will note that claims 18 and 19 have been amended. Claims 18 and 19 each positively recite the presence of "crystal seed powder" and "metal and metal oxide materials."

It is believed that the amendments to claims 18 and 19, both (1) comply with a requirement set forth in the Office Action of July 19, 2005 (37 C.F.R. § 1.116(b), (2) present rejected claims in better condition for appeal (37 C.F.R. § 1.116(c)), and (3) rewrite dependent claims in independent form (37 C.F.R. § 41.33 (b)(2)), all of which are reasons for the submission and acceptance of an amendment after final into the record.

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CONCLUSION

In light of the foregoing, it is respectfully requested that the present amendment be entered into the record, and that the patentability of claims 18 and 19, as amended, be considered in the pending appeal.

If there are any additional fees resulting from this communication, please charge the same to our Deposit Account No. 06-0625, our Order No. FER-15313.002.

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